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In the Specification:

At page 1, line 9, replace the 2nd paragraph as follows:

United States Patent Application No. ~~XXXXXX,XXX~~ 09/747,350, entitled METHOD FOR SYNCHRONIZATION OF MULTICAST ROUTING TABLE CHANGES WITH A PLURALITY OF MULTICAST ROUTING PROTOCOLS, filed on even date herewith in the names of Janet Doong and Richard Crump (attorney Docket No. 2204/A44).

At page 7, line 10, replace the first full paragraph of the page as follows:

The content of the MRTM routing table 210 is controlled by the MRTM 208 in conjunction with an application program interface (API) 209 and a management information base (MIB) (not shown). Each multicast protocol routing table 201-203 submits its multicast routes directly to the MRTM 208 via the API 209. The API 209, in connection with the MRTM 208, provides the processes and logic to insert routes into the MRTM routing table, delete routes from the MRTM routing table and change routes in the MRTM routing table. As the routes, multicast or unicast, in the MRTM routing table are changed (i.e. updated, added or deleted), each multicast routing protocol using the MRTM routing table will be notified of such change. An exemplary method for synchronizing any route changes in the MRTM routing table with the plurality of multicast routing protocols using the MRTM routing table is discussed in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____ 09/474,350, attorney docket number 2204/A44, filed on even date herewith, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Synchronization of Multicast Routing Table Changes with a Plurality of Multicast Routing Protocols," which is hereby incorporated by reference.